

Student Government Association

Senate Meeting Minutes

April 25th, 2023

2:15 pm – Forum, 3-130

Student Senators Senator Raymond

Senator Krieger Senator Tran

Senator Allen Senator Murdock Senator Leichtner Senator Nguyen

Election Coordinator

Angelo Romero

President Paula Barlow

Vice President of Governance

Dalianne Millet

Vice President of **Programming** Rasa Barmak

Vice President of Downtown

Mandie McGinnis

Chief of Staff Jason Sager

Treasurer Zeynep Guney

Secretary of Governance

Ana Santos

Office of Student Life

Advisor Jodi Oriel

Faculty Advisor Mark Sample

Visitors: Ryan Messenger – Student Affairs, Ginny Geer-Mentry – MCCA, Denee Martin – SLLD, Michelle Carroll – Student rights, Dana Williams – Student, Weylen Walter – Student.

Call to Order (2:15 pm)

A. Roll Call

Vice President of Governance Millet called for a role call to start the senate meeting

- B. Land Acknowledgement
- C. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Vice President of Governance Millet called for a motion to approve the April 18th, 2023, Student Government Association minutes.
 - ii. Senator Raymond so moved, seconded by Senator Allen.
 - iii. A vote was taken.
 - iv. Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the April 18th, 2023 minutes as written.

Speak to the Senate

A. Paralegal students Cassie, Kate and Christina

The students came to the Senate Meeting looking for support and to make sure their paralegal program is still going in the future with quality and good faculty members.

B. Weylen Walter, student WMCC

Student Walter came to talk about the upcoming WMCC interview with Dr. Burt-Nana on Thursday at 3:00 PM. Students can submit questions for a QA session.

C. Michelle Carroll, Student rights

Carroll came to talk about Move for Love, which is the final event of sexual assault awareness month. It is from 10 to 3 at the Veterans quad. The event is to raise awareness about sexual assaults and domestic violence.

Reports

A. President Barlow

On April 19th, 2023, President Barlow attended and participated in the 33rd annual Yom HaShoah Commemoration, where she read the names of Holocaust victims. As she read each name, she could visualize how traumatic this act of genocide had been on the Jewish Community. This was a sobering moment for her, and she will never forget the faces of those who survived and those who are not with us today.

Also, on April 19th, 2023, President Barlow attended the Wegmans Scholars luncheon, where she met some great students here at MCC and compassionate faculty and staff. Thank you, Nicole Meyer, and Jeff in financial aid, for helping her resolve some financial aid issues.

B. Vice President Millet

On 4-20-23, the Vp of Governance attended the Faculty Senate meeting. Some updates given in the meeting were that the Senate finished their interviews for the Chief of Staff position this week, the Curriculum Committee revised another 17 courses for the next few years, and the Academic Policies Committee has approved the academic year for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025. They are currently working on revising the years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. Another update is that the Bylaws changes have been approved by the Senate, and the new runners for the positions of some executive board members are Rebecca Babcock for President, Meryll Pentz as the Vice President, and Mary Timmons as the Secretary. Changing topics, Jason Anderson has been awarded the Henson Award. Also, there is a talent show for faculty on June 7 in the atrium, and there is going to be a safe zone training on June 5 and June 8 for faculty.

C. Vice President of Programming Barmak

Barmak has no report for this week.

D. Vice President of Downtown McGinnis

VP McGinnis has no report for this week.

E. Secretary of Governance Santos

Secretary Santos worked on the Senate Meeting Minutes from last week's Senate Meeting.

F. Chief of Staff Sager

Chief of Staff Sager participated in interviews for the MCC Chief of Staff. On Thursday night Sager had a meeting with the incoming treasurer to convey as much information as he could about the position.

Over the weekend Chief of Staff was able to complete the final editing and formatting on the new proposed constitution that will be on the ballot during this next election. The bylaws are still in progress.

G. Treasurer Guney

Guney met with Chief of Staff Sager to convey financial documents and treasurer's duties. Also, I attended meet with the candidates on Tuesday 25th.

H. Health and Wellness Senator Raymond

Senator Raymond has no report for this week.

I. Club and Organizations Senator Nguyen

Senator Nguyen has no report for this week.

J. Veterans Senator Krieger

Last Wednesday Senator Krieger attended the Veterans Club meeting where a speaker from Clear Path for Veterans program came to the Veterans Club meeting. The speaker discussed topics such as K9, assistance, residential assistance, free bus passes. Krieger is excited to keep working with him for future programs.

K. Diversity Senator Tran

On April 17th, Senator Tran attended the Diversity Committee meeting, in which the multiple subcommittees gave their reports from the last committee meeting. On April 18th, Senator Tran attended the last Constitution Committee meeting.

L. Student Relations Senator Allen

Senator Allen attended the Spread the Word: Inclusion event on the 24th, where the president of the Disability Awareness club and Senator Allen hosted a prize table, at this table we interacted with students and encouraged students to both sign up for the Club and sign the inclusion pledge.

M. Public Relations Senator Murdock

Senator Murdock has no report for this week.

N. Club and Organizations Senator Leichtner

Senator Leichtner with Student Relations Senator Allen helped out with the Disability, Equity, and Inclusion event on 04/24/23. Senator Leichtner also submitted all his forms for the upcoming election, in which he is running for Student Government President.

O. Election Coordinator Romero

Election Coordinator Romero with the rest of the constitution committee wrapped up finalizing the SGA constitution and By-laws. He would like to thank Chief of Staff Sager, Health and Wellness Senator Raymond, Veteran Senator Krieger, Clubs & Orgs Senator Leichtner, Diversity Senator Tran, and Faculty Advisor Sample for all the help. Election Coordinator Romero Also spoke with the Student Life and Development Office to see which candidates have completed all the required campaign materials on April 19th. Election Coordinator Romero would also like to spread the word about a scholar's day event going on May 3rd from 12-3 in the library, where I will be giving a speech.

New Business

A. There was no new business

Discussion Items

A. There were no discussion items

Old Business

A. There was no old business

Questions and Comments

A. There were no questions or comments

Adjournment

- A. Vice President Millet called for a motion for adjournment
- B. Meeting was adjourned at 2:54 pm

Executive Session

Respectfully submitted,

Ana Santos Secretary of Governance